

City of Seattle

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ADOPTION OF EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT DOCUMENT

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<u>Description of current proposal</u>: The Seattle City Council is considering changes to the Seattle Municipal Code that would provide for a permitting and approval system for monorail transit facilities.

Proponent: City of Seattle Department of Design, Construction and Land Use.

Location of current proposal: The new regulations would apply City-wide, but would only authorize facilities and uses along alignments and in locations to be subsequently approved by the Seattle City Council. The proposed Code changes would not authorize or approve any particular monorail facility, alignment or location. The proposed ordinance would put into place a permitting structure for monorail transit facilities and divide permitting and approval responsibility between the Department of Design, Construction and Land Use and the Department of Transportation. The proposed ordinance would also clarify and specify how development standards would apply to various monorail transit facility elements.

<u>Title of document being adopted</u>: Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Seattle Popular Transit Plan ("EIS").

Agency that prepared document being adopted: Elevated Transportation Company.

Date adopted document was prepared: July 19, 2002.

<u>Description of document (or portion) being adopted</u>: The EIS was prepared as environmental review of the Seattle Popular Transit Plan, which plan was subsequently adopted by the Elevated Transportation Company as the ETC Seattle Popular Monorail Plan. In November 2002, City of Seattle voters passed Citizen's Petition No. 1 which created the Seattle Popular Monorail Authority (known as the "Seattle Monorail Project") and required that new agency to adopt the Seattle Popular Monorail Plan. The EIS evaluated alternatives for, and impacts that could result from, the adoption of a City-wide plan for a monorail transit system, consisting of six possible corridors for monorail train transit service. The EIS also evaluated specific site-selection approval of a Phase I corridor route and general station locations.

If the document being adopted has been challenged (WAC 197-11-630), please describe: Not applicable.

The document is available to be read at (place/time): The EIS is available on the Seattle Monorail Project website at www.elevated.org. A copy is also available for review at the Department of Design, Construction and Land Use, SEPA Public Information Center at 700 5th Avenue, Suite 2000, Seattle Washington. Copies can be obtained at the offices of the Seattle Monorail Project, 1904 Fourth Avenue, Suite 105, Seattle, Washington 98101, (206) 382-1220, which can provide the document in CD or text format.

<u>Adoption</u>: We have identified and adopted this document as being appropriate for this proposal after independent review. The document meets our environmental review needs for the current proposal and will accompany the proposal to the decision maker.

<u>Name of agency adopting document</u>: City of Seattle, Department of Design, Construction and Land Use.

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